



Arizona State Retirement System

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Special Notice

2009 Open Enrollment for Retiree Health Insurance

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The Arizona State Retirement System 2009 Open Enrollment period, during which retirees may elect to enroll or make changes to their medical and/or dental plans, will take place October 20, 2008 through November 14, 2008. All changes become effective January 1, 2009.

Open Enrollment applies to any retired member of the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS), Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS), Elected Officials' Retirement Plan (EORP), Corrections Officer Retirement Plan (CORP), University Optional Retirement Plans (UORP), or any member who is receiving a long-term disability (LTD) benefit from the ASRS program, and who is not enrolled in health benefits through his or her former employer. Members or any eligible dependents who have not taken the opportunity to enroll previously in one of the group medical or dental plans also will be able to enroll during this period.

Participants do not need to take any action if currently enrolled in the ASRS retiree health insurance program and want current coverage to carry over to 2009. Current ASRS benefit elections will automatically carry forward to 2009, and, in such cases, participants will not receive new insurance cards.

Premiums and plan provisions currently in place will carry forward to 2009 and will not change.

All eligible participants will receive an Open Enrollment Packet, scheduled to be mailed in late September to the home address on file with the ASRS.

Informational presentations are scheduled throughout Arizona during October and into November to further explain each portion of the retiree health insurance program. The schedule of meetings is included in the Open Enrollment Packet.

Retirees who not receive a packet by October 27 may contact the Member Services Division to request one. All packets are mailed to the address of record on file with the ASRS. Address changes made with a former employer may not be updated in ASRS data files. It is the responsibility of the member to inform the ASRS of address and other personal information changes.

For more information visit the Retired Members section of the ASRS website or call one of the numbers listed above.

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